



**NOAA Teacher at Sea
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Onboard NOAA Ship RAINIER
July 22-August 11 2006**

July 28, 2006

Weather Data

0800

Weather: Clear/Fog Drizzle

Visibility: 2 nm

Wind direction: 245

Wind speed: 14 knots

Sea Wave height: 0-1 ft.

Swell Waves direction: /

Swell height: /

Seawater temperature: 9.4 degrees C

Sea level pressure: 1021.7 mb

Temperature dry bulb: 11/7 degrees C

Temperature wet bulb: 11.1 degrees C



The Haystacks rock formation

Personal Log

Today I took a launch to Sand Point on Unga Island with crew members to pick up another crew member and some groceries. I have not seen an Alaskan town since Kodiak and am curious to see how different Sand Point may be. The ride took approximately 2 hours and we passed more spectacular geology and scenery.



**Columnar basalt
on Popofi Island**



Red rock outcrop on Popofi Island



Breakwater at the Sand Point Harbor

Sand Point is a tiny Alaskan fishing village on Unga Island. It is picturesque, off the tourist path, and full of friendly people. So far the two towns I have seen in Alaska (Kodiak and Sand Point) are very clean and uncluttered.

There have been two major earthquakes, many minor earthquakes, and tsunamis in the Aleutian Islands, so it is no surprise that tsunami evacuation routes are well marked.



Entrance to the harbor at Sand Point,



Tsunami Evacuation route sign in Sand Point



Brown algae in Sand Point Harbor